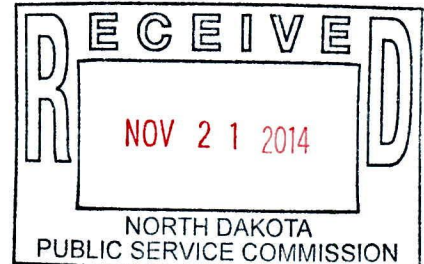


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400 North Fourth Street  
Bismarck, ND 58501  
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November 21, 2014



Executive Secretary  
North Dakota Public Service Commission  
State Capitol – Department 408  
600 East Boulevard Avenue  
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

RE: Case No. PU-14-752  
Application for Permanent Authority to  
Extend Service to Verizon Wireless at  
Ashley, North Dakota

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (Montana Dakota), a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., herewith respectfully submits an original and one copy of an Application for Permanent Authority to extend electric service to Verizon Wireless at a location in the NE ¼ of Section 1, Township 129N, Range 70W, McIntosh County, North Dakota.

Please acknowledge receipt by stamping or initialing the duplicate copy of this letter attached hereto and returning the same in the enclosed self-addressed, stamped envelope.

Sincerely,

Tamie A. Aberle  
Director of Regulatory Affairs

Enclosures  
cc/enc.

KEM Electric Cooperative  
Ben LaMont –Mobridge Office

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Application for Permanent Authority

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA**

In the Matter of the Application )  
of MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO., )  
a Division of MDU Resources Group, )  
Inc., for an Order and Certificate to )  
Extend Service to Verizon )  
at Ashley, North Dakota )

Case No. PU-14-752

**APPLICATION FOR PERMANENT AUTHORITY**

MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO., for its Application to the Public Service Commission of North Dakota, respectfully alleges:

I.

The full name of Applicant is Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., and the post office address of its principal office is 400 North Fourth Street, Bismarck, North Dakota 58501. Applicant is a public utility subject to the jurisdiction of and regulation by the Public Service Commission of North Dakota, under Title 49, N.D.C.C., as amended. MDU Resources Group, Inc.'s Certificate of Incorporation is incorporated herein by reference, and the Commission is requested to take official notice of the same.

II.

This Application is made pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 49-03, N.D.C.C., as amended, and the Rules of Practice and Procedure promulgated by the Commission.

III.

Application has been requested by Verizon, hereinafter referred to as "Customer," to provide electric service to it at a point located in the NE ¼ of Section 1, Township 129N,

Range 70W, McIntosh County, North Dakota as shown on the map attached hereto, marked Exhibit A, and made a part hereof by reference. Customer will need electric service in November 2014. Correspondence to the Customer should be directed to:

Dawn Voelsch  
1722 447<sup>th</sup> Ave  
PO Box 1474  
Watertown, SD 57201

IV.

The service required by Customer at said location is underground single phase service, and the length of the extension will be approximately 900 feet, as shown by Exhibit A. The location of the proposed service is within the economic service area of Applicant and service will be extended under the provisions of the rules and regulations applicable thereto. It is Applicant's public utility obligation to furnish the requested service, and the public convenience and necessity requires, and will be served by, Applicant furnishing the requested service to this Customer at said location. The Temporary Authority Permit is attached as Exhibit B.

V.

Submitted as Exhibit C with this Application is an Appearance by Customer herein, in which Customer states to the Commission that it desires electric service from Applicant as a public utility subject to the jurisdiction of, and regulation by, this Commission. In said Appearance, Customer also waives Notice of Opportunity for Hearing and Notice of Hearing upon this Application, or a hearing thereon, and requests the Commission to issue an Order and Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity authorizing this requested and needed service.

VI.



EXHIBIT A





**TEMPORARY AUTHORITY PERMIT**  
 NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
 PUBLIC UTILITIES  
 SFN 50560 (6-96)

**RECEIVED**  
**EXHIBIT B**  
 OCT 16 2014  
 NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Date October 16-2014		Time <input type="checkbox"/> a.m. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> p.m.		Name of Utility Montana Dakota Utilities		Telephone Number 605-845-3636 ext 25	
Name of Person Calling Ben LaMont				Name of Coop Serving KEM Electric			
Name of Customer Verizon			Location Sec 1 Twp 129 R 70				
Address Hwy 3					County McIntosh		
City Ashley					State ND	Zip Code 58413	
Name of Nearest City Ashley					Distance to the City 900 feet		
When will service be extended? upon approval			Type of Service <input type="checkbox"/> Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Storage <input type="checkbox"/> Grain Bin <input type="checkbox"/> Other <u>Verizon tower</u>				
Extension Length to Most Economical Point of Service Utility: 900' Coop: 1/4 mile			Extension <input type="checkbox"/> Overhead <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Underground				
Has customer signed request for service? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			Will cooperative protest application? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No				
Name of Person Contacted (PSC Use)			Date of Contact (PSC Use)		Time (PSC Use) <input type="checkbox"/> a.m. <input type="checkbox"/> p.m.		
Estimated Cost of Extension \$9578.00			Estimated Revenue \$50.00 per month				
Under what rate filed with the Public Service Commission will customer be served? Rate 20							
Will extension cross over coop lines? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No				Will extension cross over railroad tracks? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			
Temporary Authority Authorized By <input type="checkbox"/> Telephone <input type="checkbox"/> Letter				Date Authorized 10/21/2014			
Authorized By (Name of Commissioner) <i>Julie Federchak</i>							

Extension must be made from most economical point of service.

**Comments:** This is extension for new Verizon cell tower for the area surrounding Ashley ND. Request for service has been signed by Verizon. Also release from KEM Electric has been received. We will go forward upon approval of commission.

Addendum A

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

In the Matter of the Application  
of Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.,  
a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc.

CASE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

APPEARANCE BY CUSTOMER

Verizon Tower Systems hereinafter  
referred to as "Customer," hereby makes a voluntary appearance in this matter and states the  
following to the Commission:

I.

That he (it) desires electric service from Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. as a public utility  
subject to the jurisdiction of, and regulation by, this Commission, and has requested said  
public utility to provide him (it) with immediate electric service at the point located as  
stated in the Application herein.

That Customer further states that he (it) is in need of and has demanded immediate service  
at said location for the reasons set forth in the Application herein. Customer waives notice of  
opportunity for hearing and notice of hearing upon said Application, or a hearing thereon, and  
requests the Commission to issue an Order and Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity  
authorizing this requested and needed service, and that provisions be made therein authorizing  
extension of immediate service.

II.

That all of the allegations of the Application herein are true and correct.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned, being the Customer involved herein, prays for the entry of an  
Order and Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity by the Commission, authorizing the  
Applicant to immediately extend the requested and needed service to Customer at said location,  
subject to such appropriate and proper conditions to be appended to and made a part of such  
Temporary Order and Certificate as the Commission may determine, said Temporary Order and  
Certificate to become final as may be set forth in the conditions appended thereto; and for such  
other and further relief as may be proper in the premises.

Dated: X 10/15/14

X Dawn Voelck  
(Customer)  
for Verizon Wireless